



OUTREACH COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

for

March 12, 2008

5:30 – 6:30 PM

**5th Floor Large Conference Room
Riverside City Hall**

1. Call to Order / Roll Call

Committee Chair Beeman called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Present: Chani Beeman - Chair, Sheri Corral, John Brandriff

Staff: Phoebe Sherron, Sr. Office Specialist

2. Public Comments

Mary Shelton spoke regarding the Commission's outreach efforts.

Christina Duran spoke regarding the Commission's outreach efforts, especially in the Eastside.

3. Committee Member Comments

There were no comments.

4. Outreach Program

1) Review Draft Presentation

Chair Beeman presented a draft PowerPoint presentation regarding the Commission's functions. Commissioner Corral stated that she felt it covered all Commission duties. Commissioner Brandriff said that there should be general information included regarding officer-involved deaths and how the Commission handles those cases.

Chair Beeman said she would finalize the draft presentation with staff for presentation to the full Commission.

2) Quarterly CPRC Preparation Workshop

Chair Beeman noted that these workshops would be held to help citizens understand what is involved in serving on the Commission. She also suggested opening commissioner training to the public and advertise workshops via standard city advertising that is open to the community.

MOTION: To look into quarterly CPRC Preparation Workshops
M/S/C: Corral / Brandriff / Carried

3) Quarterly "Hearings" in Local Churches

To address concerns that some citizens are uncomfortable attending Commission meetings, Chair Beeman proposed to hold quarterly "hearings," a Commission "town hall," in churches or other appropriate venues. She noted that this would give citizens the opportunity to raise concerns they may have.

Commissioner Brandriff asked what would be done with the information obtained. Chair Beeman said that the information would be reported to the Chief of Police and City Manager. The Commission would also track the information for the development of patterns and trends. She noted that any concerns brought forward by community members would be distributed to all commissioners, Chief of Police, and the City Manager.

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5. Outreach Opportunities

1) Outreach to Community

- HRC Study Circles on Police Accountability Models

Chair Beeman asked for approval to approach the Human Relations Commission (HRC) to do a study circle on police accountability models to help the public understand the various models in existence. Commissioner Corral asked why there was a need to hold study circles on this subject. Chair Beeman the reason is to educate citizens about the various models and Riverside's model.

Commissioner Brandriff said it was also a partnership with HRC. He noted that it would be good for CPRC to participate in discussions.

Commissioner Corral noted that she wanted this item addressed to the full Commission. Chair Beeman said it would be part of the Committee report to the Commission.

MOTION: To approach HRC regarding Study Circle on Police Accountability Models
M/S/C: Brandriff / Corral / Carried

2) Outreach to RPD

- Roll Call Presentations

- Training Attendance

Chair Beeman said roll call presentations have been done in the past, but she also noted advising commissioners of training sessions conducted by RPD, such as Mental Health training. Commissioner Brandriff noted that RPD said the Mental Health training was open to the public.


MOTION: To offer to do Roll Call presentations and ask RPD for notification on training sessions to allow for CPRC commissioner attendance
M/S/C: Corral / Brandriff / Carried

6. Items for Future Committee Consideration

There were no items presented for future consideration.

The Committee adjourned at 6:50 PM

Respectfully Submitted



Phoebe Sherron
Sr. Office Specialist

APPROVED